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SUBJ: GOWON NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE

1. GENERAL GOWON INCLUDED SLIGHTLY MORE SUBSTANCE THATN USUAL IN HIS TRADITIONAL NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE TO NATION, COMMENTING ON SUCH TIMELY TOPICS AS AGITATION FOR ADDITIONAL STATES AND PENDING APPOINTMENT OF NEW FEC. ON LATTER, GOWON EXPRESSED "HOPE" THAT "EARLY IN NEW YEAR IT SHOULD BE POSSIBLE FOR ME TO ANNOUNCE NEW FEC", BUT GAVE NO FURTHER INDICATION ITS LIKELY COMPOSITION. ON QUESTION OF STATES, GOWON EXPRESSED UNHAPPINESS AT "FLOOD OF PETITIONS AND NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENTS THAT HAVE TENDED TO AGGRAVATE OR EMBITTER RELATIONS BETWEEN PEOPLE WHO HAVE LIVED HAPPILY TOGETHER FOR DECADES," AND APPEALED TO ALL CONCERNED TO REMAIN CALM AND AWAIT FMG DECISION.

2. BALANCE OF SPEECH INLUDED LOW-KEY SATISFACTION AT PROGRESS OF DEVELOPMENT PLAN, BRIEF REVIEW OF FOREIGN POLICY WITH NOW NEW SUBSTANCE, AND EXPRECTED PRAISE FOR PERFORMANCE OF OUTGOING FEC MEMBERS CVIL SERVICE, POLICE, AND ARMEY CROSBY

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